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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

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A RESOLUTION urging the United States Environmental Protection Agency to authorize the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles.

Whereas, Indiana is one of the leading states in the production of ethanol and the use of ethanol in our vehicles;

Whereas, However, the nation is approaching an ethanol blend "wall", which will curtail ethanol in this state;

Whereas, The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has not yet approved the use of ethanol blends in excess of ten percent in non-flex fuel vehicles, although the EPA has the ability to approve the use of higher ethanol blends in

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such vehicles;

Whereas, Studies have shown that non-flex fuel vehicles can run safely using ethanol blends of E20, E30, and E40;

Whereas, The 2007 federal energy bill requires the increased use of ethanol, a requirement that could be addressed through the use of higher ethanol blends such as E20 and E30 in non-flex fuel vehicles;

Whereas, Numerous studies have shown favorable emissions data through the use of E20 and E30 blends in comparison with unleaded gasoline;

Whereas, Authorizing the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles will double or triple the use of American-produced ethanol;

Whereas, Indiana will benefit significantly through the increased production of ethanol and related job creation as well as benefitting Indiana drivers and fuel consumers through the use of additional ethanol blends at lower cost and greater fuel efficiency in some vehicles using ethanol blends; and

Whereas, This state and nation continue to strive for energy independence, and increasing the use of ethanol and other biofuels is one more step toward self-sufficiency and reducing this nation's reliance on foreign sources of oil: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives strongly
2 supports and urges the prompt authorization and implementation by the
3 United State Environmental Protection Agency and other appropriate
4 federal agencies of the use of higher levels of ethanol blends in
5 non-flex fuel vehicles.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Indiana
8 Congressional delegation and the administrator of the United States
9 Environmental Protection Agency.

